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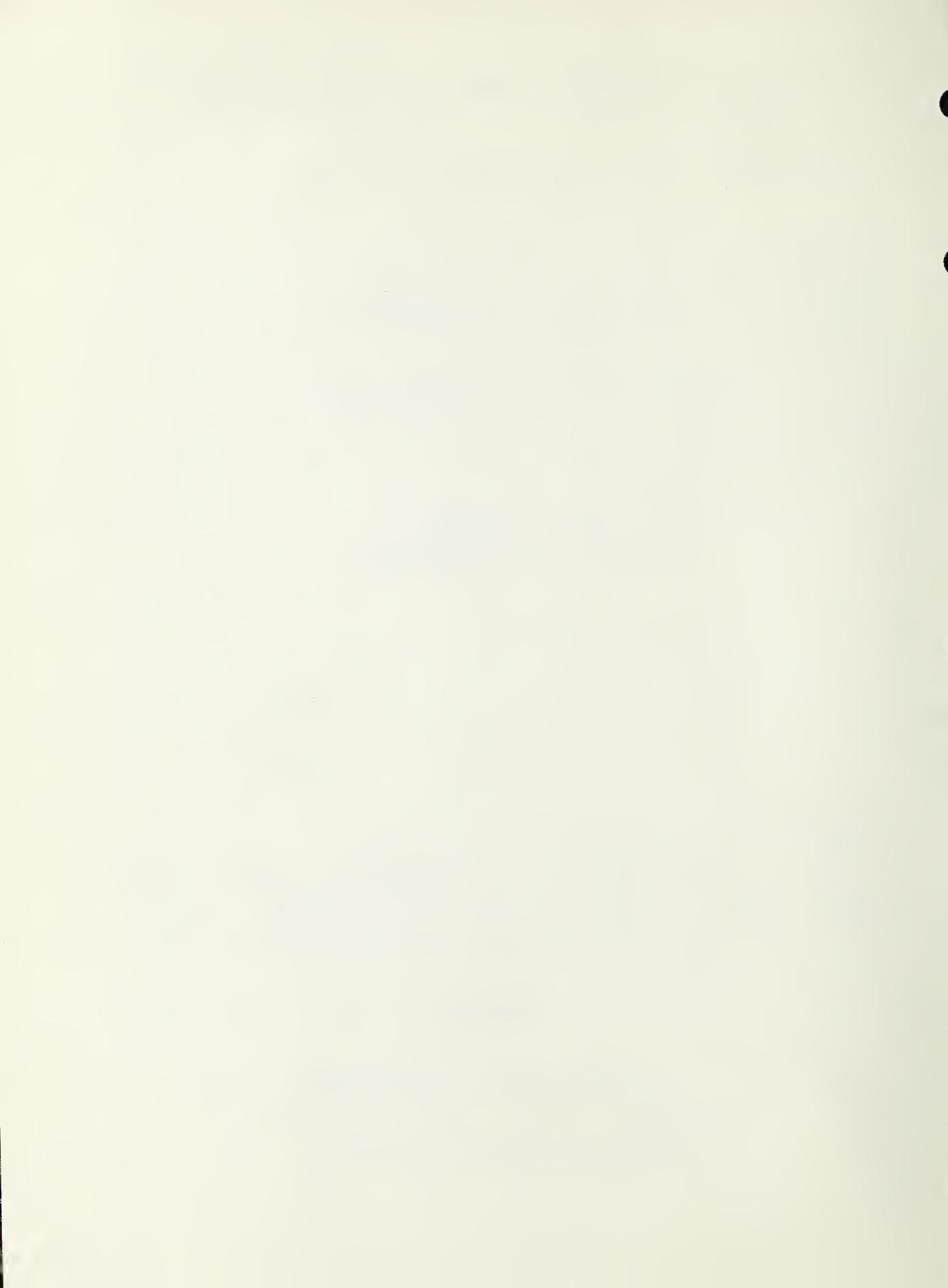
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Abstract

A group of ten 96-inch T12 cool white fluorescent lamps were measured in each of six laboratories. Luminous flux, lamp voltage, and lamp current were measured while holding the input power constant at 75 watts. The same lamp characteristics were measured again while holding the input voltage constant at 625 volts. The deviation of the average reported by each laboratory from the average of all laboratories for each of the measured quantities, the range of averages, the standard deviation of the values reported, and the standard error of the mean are given for each quantity measured.

I. Introduction

This intercomparison was undertaken to determine the uniformity of measurements on 96-inch cool white fluorescent lamps made at the participating laboratories. The laboratories participating and the order of reading are as follows:

- I General Electric Company
- II Interlectric Corporation
- III Sylvania Electric Products
- IV Champion Lamp Works
- V Westinghouse
- VI Duro Test

The order in which the laboratories made their measurements was chosen to reduce shipment of the lamps as much as possible. Each laboratory followed its own customary procedure in making the measurements. Two lamps were broken during shipment so that Duro Test was able to measure only eight of the lamps.

II. Results of Measurements

The values reported by each laboratory and an analysis of the results are given in tables 1 through 9.

Table 1

Luminous Flux in Lumens

Lamps operated at 75 watts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	4998	4975	5084	4884	5004	5088	5006
ECX-2	4928	4915	5000	4912	4929	4950	4939
ECX-3	4936	4865	4964	4944	4896	4944	4925
ECX-4	4901	4765	4876	4840	4902	4892	4863
ECX-5	4706	4830	4752	4780	4747	4766	4764
ECX-6	4800	4760	4772	4764	4768	4756	4770
ECX-7	4922	4905	5004	4916	4966		4943
ECX-8	4772	4790	4800	4800	4784	4816	4794
ECX-9	4584	4730	4608	4676	4612	4628	4640
ECX-10	4954	4950	4988	4964	4940		4959
Ave. of 10	4850	4848	4885	4848	4855		4857
Ave. of 8	4828	4829	4857	4825	4830	4855	4837

Average for the 10 lamps 4860

Deviation from average % -.20 -.25 +.51 -.25 -.10 +.37

Range of averages reported .76%

Standard deviation of the values reported .89%

Standard error of the mean .12%



Table 2

Luminous Flux in Lumens

Lamps operated at 625 line volts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	4994	4945	5128	4928	4960	5060	5002
ECX-2	4961	4930	5048	4952	4916	5024	4972
ECX-3	4962	4900	5060	4940	4927	5036	4971
ECX-4	4913	4870	4932	4868	4846	4940	4895
ECX-5	4705	4835	4804	4720	4641	4812	4753
ECX-6	4800	4755	4852	4752	4703	4852	4786
ECX-7	4876	4895	5016	4900	4853		4908
ECX-8	4795	4805	4856	4812	4730	4864	4810
ECX-9	4578	4730	4642	4608	4519	4668	4624
ECX-10	5007	4930	5048	4928	4923		4967
Ave. of 10	4859	4860	4939	4840	4802		4860
Ave. of 8	4838	4846	4915	4822	4780	4907	4851
Deviation from average %	-.21	-.18	+1.4	-.60	-1.4	+1.2	
Range of averages	2.8%						
Standard deviation of the values reported					1.28%		
Standard error of the mean				.17%			

Average for the 10 lamps 4869

Deviation from average %

Range of averages 2.8%

Standard deviation of the values reported 1.28%

Standard error of the mean .17%

Table 3

Lumens per Watt

Lamps operated at 75 watts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	66.6	66.3	67.8	65.1	66.7	67.8	66.7
ECX-2	65.7	65.5	66.7	65.6	65.7	66.0	65.9
ECX-3	65.8	64.9	66.1	65.9	65.3	65.9	65.6
ECX-4	65.3	63.5	65.0	64.6	65.4	65.3	64.8
ECX-5	62.7	64.4	63.4	63.7	63.3	63.4	63.5
ECX-6	64.0	63.5	63.6	63.6	63.6	63.4	63.6
ECX-7	65.6	65.4	66.7	65.6	66.2		65.9
ECX-8	63.6	63.9	64.0	64.0	63.8	64.2	63.9
ECX-9	61.1	63.1	61.4	62.3	61.5	61.7	61.8
ECX-10	66.0	66.0	66.5	66.2	65.9		66.1
Ave. of 10	64.7	64.6	65.1	64.6	64.7		64.7
Ave. of 8	64.4	64.4	64.8	64.4	64.4	64.7	64.5
Deviation from average %	-.15	-.31	+.46	-.31	-.15	+.31	
Range of averages reported					Average of the 10 lamps		64.8
Standard deviation of the values reported							
Standard error of the mean							

Table 4

Lumens per Watt

Lamps operated at 625 line volts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	66.5	65.2	67.9	65.7	66.9	66.8	66.5
ECX-2	65.5	65.0	66.7	66.0	66.3	66.2	66.0
ECX-3	65.5	63.8	66.1	65.6	65.3	66.4	65.4
ECX-4	65.6	63.4	64.9	65.7	65.6	65.2	65.1
ECX-5	62.5	63.0	63.5	63.7	63.5	63.4	63.3
ECX-6	63.8	62.7	63.8	63.7	63.8	63.8	63.6
ECX-7	65.9	65.0	66.8	66.2	66.5		66.1
ECX-8	63.3	62.4	64.1	64.7	64.0	64.3	63.8
ECX-9	61.4	62.4	61.4	63.5	61.6	61.7	62.0
ECX-10	66.2	65.1	66.4	66.3	66.7		66.1

Ave. of 10 64.6 63.8 65.2 65.1 65.0 64.7

Ave. of 8 64.3 63.5 64.8 64.8 64.6 64.7 64.4

Average of the 10 lamps 64.8

Deviation from average % -.31 -1.5 +.62 +.46 +.31 +.46

Range of averages reported 2.1%

Standard deviation of the values reported 1.15%

Standard error of the mean .15%

Table 5

Lamp Current in Milliamperes

Lamps operated at 75 watts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	422	415	418	417	427	415	419
ECX-2	420	410	418	418	428	416	418
ECX-3	420	410	412	420	418	414	416
ECX-4	424	410	417	420	432	417	420
ECX-5	426	413	418	430	439	418	424
ECX-6	426	421	417	423	432	414	422
ECX-7	432	422	423	422	437		427
ECX-8	421	411	415	419	430	416	419
ECX-9	423	417	413	428	433	417	422
ECX-10	419	418	415	420	431		421
Ave. of 10	423	415	417	422	431		422
Ave. of 8	423	413	416	422	430	416	420
Average for the 10 lamps							420
Deviation from average %	+.71	-1.2	-.71	+.48	+2.6	-.95	
Range of averages reported			3.8%				
Standard deviation of the values reported					1.60%		
Standard error of the mean				.21%			

Table 6

Lamp Current in Milliamperes

Lamps operated at 625 line volts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	422	423	423	420	421	422	422
ECX-2	422	424	423	420	422	422	422
ECX-3	422	422	422	420	421	423	422
ECX-4	424	423	423	421	421	423	422
ECX-5	426	425	424	423	425	424	424
ECX-6	422	428	424	420	424	423	424
ECX-7	425	426	424	421	424		424
ECX-8	424	424	422	421	423	423	423
ECX-9	420	421	419	418	421	420	420
ECX-10	424	426	423	421	423		423

Ave. of 10 423 424 423 420 422 422 422

Ave. of 8 423 424 422 420 422 422 422

Deviation from average % 0 +.24 0 -.71 -.24 0 Average for the 10 lamps 423

Range of averages reported .95%

Standard deviation of the values reported .36%

Standard error of the mean .05%

Table 7

Lamp Volts

Lamps operated at 75 watts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	197	199	201	196.2	197	204	199
ECX-2	198	202	202	196.2	198	203	200
ECX-3	198	202	204	192.0	201	205	200
ECX-4	197	202	202	193.8	196	202	199
ECX-5	195	201	201	190.2	193	201	197
ECX-6	197	197	202	194.0	196	204	198
ECX-7	193	197	200	192.0	193		195
ECX-8	198	202	202	192.4	196	204	199
ECX-9	198	201	205	191.4	197	205	200
ECX-10	199	199	203	190.0	196		197
Ave. of 10	197	200	202	192.8	196		198
Ave. of 8	197	201	202	193.3	197	204	199

Deviation from average for the 10 lamps

Range of averages reported 5.0%

Standard deviation of the values reported 2.11%

Standard error of the mean .28%



Table 8

Lamp Volts

Lamps operated at 625 line volts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	197	198	200	196.0	198	202	198
ECX-2	198	200	201	197.8	197	202	199
ECX-3	197	200	203	192.4	201	203	199
ECX-4	195	200	201	194.6	197	202	198
ECX-5	196	200	200	192.4	194	202	197
ECX-6	197	196	202	195.2	197	202	198
ECX-7	194	196	199	192.0	194		195
ECX-8	197	201	202	193.0	197	202	199
ECX-9	199	200	204	193.2	198	202	199
ECX-10	197	199	202	191.0	197		197

Ave. of 10 197 199 201 193.8 197 198

Ave. of 8 197 199 202 194.3 197 202 199

Average for the 10 lamps 198

Deviation from average % -.51 +.51 +1.5 -2.0 -.51 +1.5

Range of averages reported 3.5%

Standard deviation of the values reported 1.68%

Standard error of the mean .22%

Table 9

Watts

Lamps operated at 625 line volts

Lamp No.	GE	Inter	Syl	Champ	West	Duro	Ave.
ECX-1	75.1	75.8	75.5	75.0	74.13	75.7	75.2
ECX-2	75.7	75.9	75.7	75.0	74.13	75.9	75.4
ECX-3	75.7	76.8	76.5	75.4	75.5	75.9	76.0
ECX-4	74.9	76.8	76.0	74.2	73.9	75.8	75.3
ECX-5	75.3	76.7	75.7	74.2	73.13	75.9	75.2
ECX-6	75.2	75.8	76.0	74.8	73.73	76.1	75.3
ECX-7	74.0	75.3	75.1	74.0	73.0		74.3
ECX-8	75.7	77.0	75.7	74.4	73.9	75.7	75.4
ECX-9	74.6	75.8	75.6	72.6	73.33	75.7	74.6
ECX-10	<u>75.6</u>	<u>75.7</u>	<u>76.0</u>	<u>74.4</u>	<u>73.86</u>		<u>75.1</u>
Ave. of 10	75.2	76.2	75.8	74.4	73.86		75.1
Ave. of 8	75.3	76.3	75.8	74.4	73.97	75.8	75.3
					Average of the 10 lamps		75.2

Deviation from
average % 0 +1.3 +.80 -1.1 -1.8 +.66

Range of averages reported 3.1%

Standard deviation of the values reported 1.32%

Standard error of the mean .17%



Table 10

Standard Error of the Mean

Quantity measured	75 watts set	625 volts set
lumens	.12	.17
lumens per watt	.12	.15
lamp current	.21	.05
lamp volts	.28	.22
watts		.17

III. Conclusions

The results show that the participating laboratories are in very good agreement on measurements on this type and size of lamp. Table 10 shows that except for the measurement of lamp current there is no significant difference in the agreement among the laboratories whether lamp watts are set or line voltage is set.

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